

105.1955 GTP/Gibson

Operative G.T.Purdy

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Re: Jane Gibson  
Jennie Waller, formerly Jennie Lampert.

Operative went to the home of Mr. Frederick Hort to interview his son John, but he was not at home. John is sort of a wanderer. He went to school with Willie Easton and used to play on the Gibson Farm, and may be able to give some information regarding the activities on the Farm. Will try again to get in touch with John Hort.

Operative got the name of Anna Berry from an old newspaper story. It seems that the Gibson woman went to call on Anna Berry and asked her if she would like to be in on the Halls Mills Case. Operative asked Mr. Fred Hort if he knew this woman and he replied that she lives somewhere near the Gibson Farm.

Operative then made inquiries around Hamilton Ave. in reference to the Phillips Farm house in an effort to learn of the activities there prior to the murders and will further make inquiries in the vicinity of Easton and Hamilton Ave. to learn who operated the farm house before the murders and follow up the rumors that it was a gambling rendezvous and also that the house was used for immoral purposes.

Made inquiries around the former residence of Jennie Waller in an effort to find out if there is anyone who knows anything with which to attack her character. The general opinion around the neighborhood is that she was wild when she was about 14 or 15 years old, but later became more settled. Could find no one who would say anything detrimental to her character. Mrs. Sulem is the only person whom operative could locate, who stated that she had had some trouble with her, but she considered it a childish prank and felt her mother was to blame for that. Jennie used to pass Mrs. Sulem's house and called her "Pollock" and other distasteful names and as result of it Mrs. Sulem gave her a beating. Later Mr. Lampert came over to the Sulem home and together with another man they gave Mr. Sulem a beating. Mr. Sulem then swore out a warrant for Mr. Lampert's arrest, but Mrs. Sulem was sickly at the time and was removed to a hospital, so the warrant was never served. Mrs. Sulem further stated that it is all forgotten now, and that Jennie Lampert told several people in the last few years that she realizes that she was wrong and is sorry.

Respectfully submitted:

G.T.P.